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Sister Weds; Brother Elopes

Local people were given a surprise Christmas morning when the elopement of Miss Evelyn Stevenson and Leon Debarre was announced. The young couple left here Friday morning for Wellsburg, W. Va., and having secured a marriage license, were joined in the holy bonds of matrimony by a pastor of the West Virginia city. They returned to this city the same evening and will make their home with the groom's parents here. The bride is 17 years of age and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Stevenson of Donner avenue. The groom is 20 years of age and has been a resident of this city for a number of years, making his home at McMahan. He is employed as a shearer in the Tin mill. The couple have a number of friends in this city who extend heartiest congratulations.

Miss Sophia Debarre, a sister of the groom, was married Thursday evening in Pittsburgh to Henry Kissler of this city. They remained in Pittsburgh until the return of the couple from Wellsburg and all four came to this city together Friday evening.

However We May Cry, Peace

However we may cry "Peace," there will always be admiration for courage and the human heart will never cease to beat quicker with the portrayal of human passions in hot encounter. Love, hate, human rights and property rights, freedom and slavery. Justice and injustice will still face each other and grapple in fierce struggle for supremacy until the millenium appears. Such a story is told in the moving picture drama, "The Spoilers," which will be seen here at the Olympic theatre tomor-

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MEYERS' MID-WINTER and MANHATTAN SHIRT SALE Starts TUESDAY MORNING

Come early and get your choice of the bargains.

MEYERS
Your Clothier

Quiet Christmas In This Vicinity

Christmas passed off in a very quiet and orderly manner in Monessen and as a general rule, family reunions were in order, many families and relatives remained in doors throughout the day. Very few arrests were made and Christmas morning all prisoners were set free.

Despite the fact that those who were awakened in the early hours of the morning by children anxious to see what Santa had brought, found a heavy downpour of rain, their wishes for a white Christmas came true in the evening when the beautiful came down rapidly and soon had the ground covered.

The streets of the town were practically deserted during the day and the populace found their only amusement in the moving picture shows, all of which presented extra feature programs in honor of the day.

The Salvation Army made ample preparations for the day and hundreds of homes were gladdened with well filled grocery baskets and a chicken. Deliveries of the baskets were made before Christmas and in cases where men and women were found in need of clothing, they were supplied with new clothing from a large supply donated by local merchants. On New Years day the poor children of the community will be remembered with their annual treat of candy and toys.

Luna Program

One of the best holiday attractions at the local theatres was presented by the Luna management in the great five reel special entitled "The Vow." Not one person left this popular little theatre without praising the management for their enterprise in securing such a wonderful attraction. Today another great program will be presented including a Kalem three reel special entitled "Friend Wilson's Daughter." "Mustaches and Bonds," a Vitagraph comedy entitled "The Count 'Em" and the second chapter of the famous serial "The Goddess." You can't afford to miss "The Goddess" at the Luna today. (1t fp

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DOUGLAS BUSINESS COLLEGE
Charleroi, Pa.
Dec. 27, 29, 31.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Fishel have returned from California where they spent the past year and are in Monessen for the holidays. Mrs. Fishel was formerly Miss Florence Austin and they are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Austin of Schoonmaker avenue. They will make their home as before in Canton, Ohio.

Monessen Savings & Trust Co's Christmas Savings Club
Will start Dec. 27, 1915.

We have our supplies on hand now and you can come in any day and open your account for next year.

This year we mailed checks aggregating about $10,000 to over four hundred members of our club.

Don't you think they were pleased to have $10,000 for Christmas?

Come in and join and get your share of the Fund next Christmas.

Monessen Savings & Trust Company

ONLY TWO WEEKS REMAIN OF GREAT SUBSCRIPTION CONTEST

The last great extra vote offer in the subscription contest was brought to a close Friday evening at 10 o'clock and with it came the results of the efforts of the contestants who had put forth every means in their power to get in under the wire in order to secure extra votes. All day long the contest manager was kept busy filling out reports of the contestants, and this morning found hundreds of new subscribers to the paper, in fact the number turned in Friday was so great that it was impossible to figure out the standing of the contestants in time for today's issue.

Practically all of the contestants took advantage of the offer and secured enough subscriptions to enable them to reap the benefits of the extra vote offer and in so doing have boosted their chances away above par in the race for the grand prize. It was the greatest day since the inauguration of the contest and a noticeable change will be evident in the standing of the contestants when the list is published. The contest manager and his assistant are busily engaged checking up the lists today and if at all possible the standing will be published in tomorrow's issue.

Only two weeks remain of the great contest and the prizes will be awarded and from present indications it still remains a hard problem to pick the winner of the Overland car, the first prize. There of course remain many subscriptions that the contestants found impossible to secure in time to get in on the big offer, but everyone will count from now on and although no extra votes will be given during the remainder of this contest, anyone with a little extra effort can push to the front and when the final count is made, they will find themselves the owner of the automobile.

Two hard weeks of work face the contestant who intends to win the first prize and when the winner is announced it will be found that he or she was the person who kept continually at their work and never stopped for a moment, allowing one of his or her competitors to take advantage of the temporary lapse or idleness. Think of the reward and think of the short time remaining and you can readily figure out that it will pay you to devote a little extra time during the remaining days of the contest to make a final effort to place yourself at the top. Don't lay down because you have had an extra good week, remember the other fellow may keep on the jump and leave you trailing behind. Get out today. Tell your friends and those who have given you promises of subscriptions that only two weeks remain and if they are going to assist you the time is here and they must subscribe now to help you win. Look up all the old promises and make them good.

Treat And Program

The children of the Shepler Mission will give their annual Christmas program next Saturday evening at the Mission and at this time a splendid program will be rendered, including recitations, songs and instrumental musical numbers. Miss Margaret Morgan of Charleroi, who delighted the audience yesterday with several selections in French will be present next Saturday. Immediately after the program, the children will be given their treat. The public is cordially invited to attend these services which will start promptly at 8 o'clock.

—"Lizzie's Shattered Dream" L KO comedy—Olympic today. 1t

—Children's Gun Metal Button school shoes, sizes 5 to 8, 98c, sizes 8½ to 2, $1.29.—Garman Bros., 45-tf

Star Theatre

The Home of Paramount and Fox Plays. The best entertainment in town.

TODAY—William Fox presents FREDERICK PERRY and a distinguished cast of players in "THE FAMILY STAIN," founded on Emile Gaborian's celebrated detective story, "The Widow LeRouge."

TUESDAY—"THE MAN FROM OREGON," a drama of political life, starring CLARA WILLIAMS and HOWARD HICKMAN.. a four act Mutual masterpiece.

WEDNESDAY —Daniel Frohman presents the exquisite MARGUERITE CLARK in the celebrated romance "THE PRETTY SISTER OF JOSE."

MIDNIGHT PERFORMANCE New Years Eve. You can stay until the bells ring the old year out and the new one in.

COMING NEXT MONDAY—THEDA BARA in "CARMEN." No raise in prices.

Died Christmas Day

Rev. C. P. Logan, a retired pastor of the colored M. E. church, died Christmas afternoon at his home in this city following an attack of typhoid pneumonia. The deceased was 64 years of age and besides his wife, is survived by one son, Harry. Funeral services will be held Wednesday in the Baptist church of this city with interment in the Grandview cemetery. Rev. Logan was one of the most respected residents of this community and his death was a great shock to his many friends here.

The deceased was a learned man and following his retirement from active work as pastor of the Blairsville M. E. church, he took up lecture work and has appeared many times on the platform in the larger cities of western Pennsylvania. He was a graduate of Allegheny College at Meadville and of the Oxford College of Science, England. For several years he was an instructor in the Wilberforce college.

Charleroi Won

Charleroi defeated the Monongahela Valley league club on the Armory floor Thursday evening by the score of 25 to 13. The lineup:

Monongahela—13		Charleroi—23
P. Scott	F	Messenier
Wickerham	F	Sheller
Coatsworth	C	Lentz
Scott	G	Protin
Markell	G	Ludwig

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More Pitt Clubs

Two more Pitt clubs will be organized this week. Alumni and former students of the University of Pittsburg who reside in the Monongahela valley will meet at Charleroi Tuesday night, and those of the Shenango valley will meet in New Castle Wednesday night. This will bring the number of Pitt clubs of the state up to five, as three were organized last year.

At the Charleroi banquet the speakers will be Dr. H. E. Friesell, J. J. O'Connor. Earl E. Davis. George M. Kirk, "Jim" Herron of Monesen, "Tilly" Dewar of Elizabeth, Dr. F. C. Stahlman of Charleroi, and Dr. J. A. Sprowls of Donora. The speakers at New Castle will be Dr. E. A. Frost, Dean Will Grant Chambers, John C. Wallace of New Castle, Mr. Davis and Mr. Kirk.

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Merchants Enjoy Record Shopping

Monessen stores this morning looked as though "Old Santa" had passed through and taken everything in his trail. The merchants had expected better business for this Christmas and bought accordingly, but long e'er the season was well under way large additional consignments were received almost daily from the largest manufacturers in the country and wholesalers were appealed to in vain for numerous articles.

The shopping this year was much earlier than in former years, but the grand rush came at the last minute, following the $250,000 payroll of the local mills, which was distributed Thursday and Friday. The streets of the city were crowded from early morning until almost midnight and the tired clerks found it almost impossible to wait on the vast throng of last minute shoppers. Those who came late naturally were a little disappointed when they found shelves bare of holiday goods and were compelled to make the best of it.

The payroll of the local mills far exceeded that of any other town in the county or in the valley, and the greater part of the money was spent in the city as the shopper by carefully going over their lists found that the Monessen merchants carried as complete a stock and were competing on a fair scale with the big department stores of the city. The postoffice employes and expressmen were on the job until late at night delivering packages and by noon Christmas found all presents delivered and the work cleaned up for the holidays. It was an immense job, but by careful and systematic management was completed without a hitch.

—The Monongahela Valley League schedule for this week is as follows: Allenport at Chareroi, December 27; Monongahea at Fayette City, December 27; Charleroi at Monessen, Dec. 29; Donora at Monongahela, December 30; Monessen at Donora, December 31; Fayette City at Allenport. December 31.

Aged Lady Answers Call

Mrs. Elizabeth Feightner, aged 70 years, wife of Jacob Feightner, died at 12:15 last night at her Oneida street home, after a three days' illness of pneumonia. The deceased was born in Hempfield township and after her marriage to Mr. Feightner they moved to McKeesport, but for the past fifteen years resided here. She is survived by her husband and seven children, Mrs. Laura Satterfield and Mrs. Sadie Peterson of McKeesport, Rev. J. M. Feightner of Somerset, Tom O. and Page Feightner of this city and Mrs. Agnes Wild and Hallie Feightner at home. In addition to the children, twenty-one grand children survive.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at the late home at 1 o'clock. The services will be conducted by Rev. Charles E. Keller, pastor of the English Lutheran church of which the deceased was a charter member.

—"Her Speedy Affair" Nestor comedy featuring Billie Rhodes and Gallagher.—Olympic today. 1t

—Frank Davidson was a visitor with friends and relatives in the city over Christmas.

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Tomorrow—Broadway Star Feature entitled "Saints and Sinners," featuring Maurice Costello.

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Progress and Prosperity.

One of the most important sessions ever faced by Congress has just opened. Following his custom, President Wilson read from the speaker's stand to the assembled legislators a message brimming with important recommendations. It matters not whether individually or as party measures we agree or disagree with the president on preparedness, the Mexican situation, the method of raising additional revenue or on any of the other questions taken up in his message, we must all agree that the country stands now on the eve of the greatest prosperity it has ever seen and legislation should be passed which will help instead of retarding or lessening that prosperity. It is, for instance, a tremendously important matter that business be let alone to grasp its opportunity. We have passed through a period of muckraking and restrictive legislation which has, perhaps, been of benefit in making business more human. We have put a heart into the corporations even though they may still be soulless. But in doing so we came perilously near to destroying them altogether. It is certain that many bills will be introduced at the present session of congress which will effect business interests. Those should be passed which will help business to overcome the depression of the past years and go onward and upward. Those which would further restrict business operation should be killed without mercy. This is no time for the passage of radical legislation regardless of the apparent demand for it. Organizations which are demanding certain legislation are noted for the noise they make because of the effect a noisy demand has upon legislators. These organizations should be suppressed altogether, and, if not, for the time being at least. The government finds it necessary to raise huge amounts of additional revenue. To make this successful, the president recommends that no present sources of revenue be tampered with. Legislation against existing industries will directly oppose the president's recommendation.

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Nureddin Ali's Burial

By F. A. MITCHEL

A revolution in Turkey had been unsuccessful, and a large number of persons implicated in it were to be executed. The common method of killing political prisoners was lopping off their heads, but in this case the sultan was so enraged with the revolutionists that he determined to hang them. In order to get through with the matter and have it off his mind, the commander of the faithful ordered that they all be disposed of at once in a public place in order to impress the people with the fact that they had better not try any more revolutions.

Nureddin Ali, a young man of great promise, had been mixed up in the affair and was one of those who were to be hanged. He had only one wife to mourn his loss—an advantage of monogamy—but he had recently married her, and they loved each other very dearly. The morning upon which his execution was to take place she went to the prison to bid him goodby. There was a heartrending scene, at the end of which Nureddin said:

"Fatima, as soon as my body is turned over to you, bury it and cease to grieve for me. Turn rather to a renewed interest in life. You are young and will doubtless marry again, though you may not, as in your first marriage, procure a whole man to yourself. Prepare a lot in the cemetery at once and have a grave dug, that all may be ready."

This caused a fresh outburst of tears, amid which the young widow to be left the prison. But after doing so she acted upon her husband's wishes, going straight to the cemetery to make preparations for the interment. She had scarcely gone when several hundred prisoners were mustered in the court of the prison and marched to the public gardens for execution. An immense crowd had gathered to witness it, and the soldiers conducting the prisoners were obliged to use force to make a way for them. Once at the place of execution, they were drawn up in four ranks, some sixty men in each rank, before the gallows, when the work was commenced.

Those in the front rank were first dispatched, but as from five to ten minutes were required to hang each man a great deal of time was consumed. For that reason the killing began early in the morning. When the front rank had been finished Nureddin, who was in the second rank, in order to prolong his life so far as possible, managed to drop back into the third.

As the work went on the people kept pressing against the soldiers, who stood behind the rear rank of prisoners, and the latter grew tired of keeping them back. The consequence was that the rear part of the group of prisoners after awhile became disarranged.

Nureddin, while the second rank was being strung up, managed to slip back into the fourth rank. Noticing that behind it was a mingling of guards and citizens, it occurred to him that if he could get mixed up with the latter he might possibly slide out and escape. He wormed himself back and was about to take position when a guard saw him and ordered him to get back into line. He did so, but kept his eye open for another opportunity.

More than a hundred men had dangled, and a great deal of time had been consumed. Every one was tired except those in the crowd, which was constantly changing. The guards, who were keeping back the spectators, were the most tired of all. Nureddin, taking advantage of this fact, tried again to get back among the citizens and this time succeeded. Without waiting he turned his face to the rear, pushed aside a fat woman and an eager boy and in a twinkling was lost among the sea of beings about the gallows.

Meanwhile Fatima had gone to the cemetery to make arrangements for her husband's interment. She had bought a small lot and had ordered a coffin, which was delivered at the cemetery, for the authorities had informed her that her husband's body would be turned over to her there.

Fatima was standing beside the grave watching men open it. They had sunk it midway. The coffin was resting beside it. Suddenly the poor woman was astonished to see her husband coming toward her. Supposing the apparition was the ghost of Nureddin, who had been executed, and was coming to be laid away, she fell in a faint. The gravediggers, muttering "Allah, deliver us!" leaped from the grave and were about to run away when Nureddin called to them in the name of the prophet to bury him or they would be eternally damned. Fatima came back to consciousness, and Nureddin, taking her in his arms, told her hurriedly how he had escaped and begged her to see that he was buried with a breathing space left above him in order that he might escape detection.

Taking up the coffin, he placed it in the half opened grave and got into it, and Fatima, who by this time had recovered something of her equanimity, put the cover on it loosely. Then she directed the gravediggers to throw on some earth while she gathered loose brush. This she put on the earth and covered it with dry grass, scattering loose soil on the top. Nureddin could easily remove all this if he was in danger of smothering.

Fatima remained by the grave till it was dark and the cemetery was deserted; then she called to her husband to kick off what covered him. He did so, and the two left the cemetery together and, taking ship, passed through the Dardanelles to Greece.

Timidity of the Horse.

The horse is by nature a timid animal, as, generally speaking, all animals are to whom nature has given powers of swift flight as their chief means of self preservation. Of course individuals differ in this respect, but the rule is so general that it should never be lost sight of in training. That the horse can be trained to war simply shows the extent to which his natural impulses can be modified and subdued by the art of man.

Breeds of horses differ in regard to natural timidity. The pure bred Arab is beyond all comparison the most fearless horse in the world. It is possible that this may be owing in part to the fact that his natural development was for long ages in an open country, where he was not in constant danger from unseen foes, but chiefly I think because he is a higher evolutionary type than any other horse.—Farm and Fireside.

An Indian's Comment.

Are we civilized? A young woman who visited the Grand canyon a few weeks ago had an educated Indian as a guide one day, and as the party went along they saw a father, aggravated by something his young son had done, stop on the edge of the canyon and give the boy a thorough spanking. The Indian was indignant. "That is what I call barbarous," he exclaimed. "Now, that boy will always remember this great canyon as the place where he received a spanking. He might have carried a picture of its grandeur in his mind that would have assisted in developing him, but now all that is spoiled. We Indians don't do things that way. We expect our children to endure pain, but we don't inflict it." And wasn't the Indian right?—Leavenworth Times.

Fully Informed.

Uncle Mose aspired to the elective office of justice of the peace in the "black bottom" part of town. One bar there was to his preferment; he could neither read nor write. His master advised him to go to the commissioner of elections and ask whether he was eligible. Mose went and returned. "What did he tell you, Mose?" inquired the master. "It's all right, sah," answered Mose; "dat gen'lemum suttinly was kind, yas, suh. He tole me Ah was illegible fo' dat office."—Argonaut.

Firedamp.

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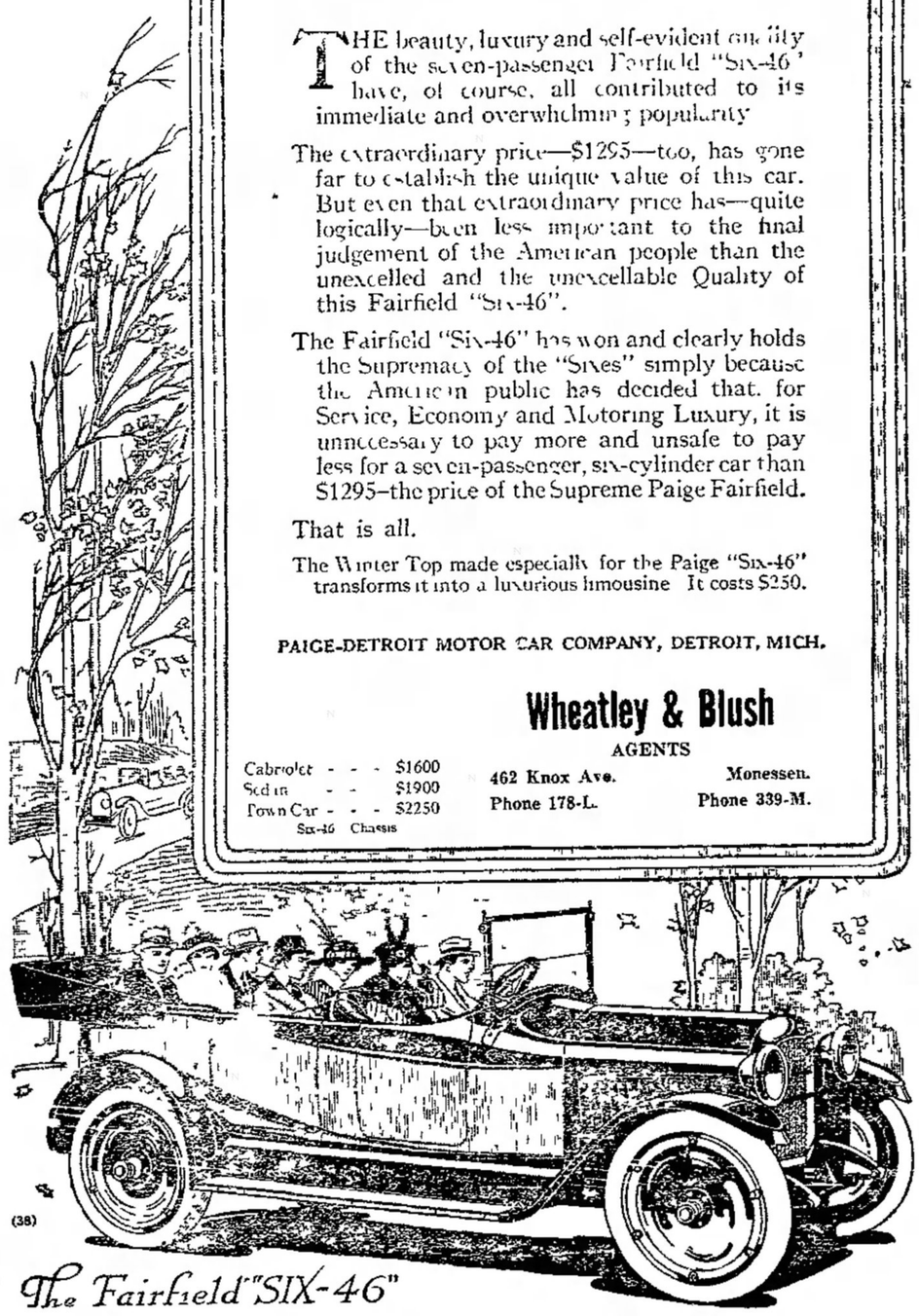

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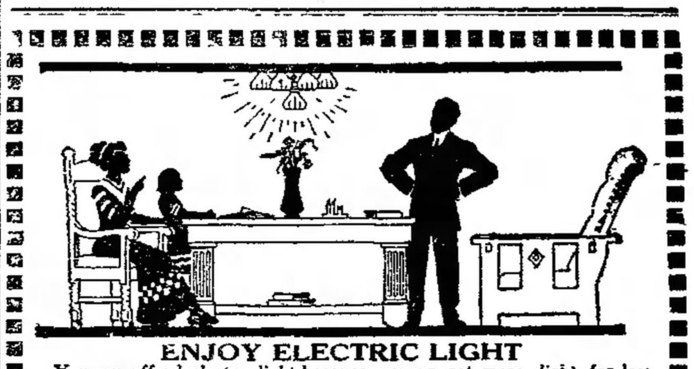

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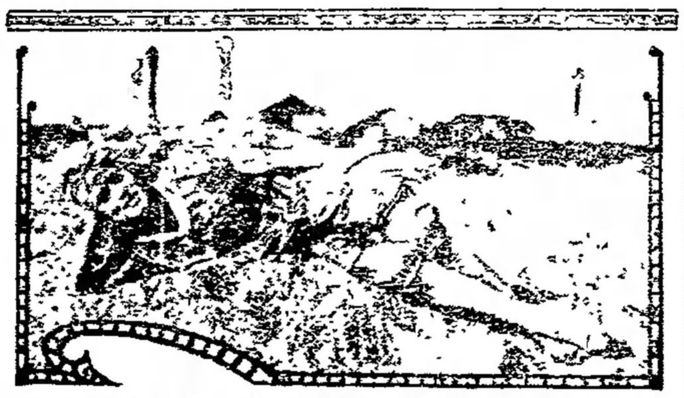
SHE OF THE BLONDE TRESSES COMES BACK TO PICTURES IN A WELL-KNOWN DRAMA, PLAYING OPPOSITE SHELDON LEWIS OF THE "ELAINE" SERIES FAME

Pearl White, she of the blonde tresses and irrepressible good spirits, has returned to picture work after a long vacation her first in years. This should bring comfort to the many anxious fans who have wondered why of late they have not been seeing her on the screen undergoing the numerous perils and exploits that have been her lot She has signed a contract for another year with Pathe, and is starring in a five-reel picture called "The King's Game," adapted from George B. Seitz's well known play of the same title. It is interesting to note that in this picture she plays opposite Sheldon Lewis her co worker in "The Exploits of Elaine," and that Arnold Daly, the hero of that serial, is producing the picture

Miss White today is undoubtedly one of the three best known motion picture stars in the business, and commands a high salary. This is the result of her work in the various very popular serials beginning with "The Perils of Pauline" now a film classic, and extending through the three "Elaine" serials It is promised that she will star in another Pathe serial before long as well as in various feature photoplays.

SHELDON LEWIS

JACKIE SAUNDERS



Jackie Saunders, whose blonde top and winsome grace are known from coast to coast wherever there are motion picture theatres, was once an artist's model, and as such brightened the covers of many popular magazines Such famous artists as Harrison Fisher, Howard Chandler Christy, and Clarence Underwood found in her an uncommonly attractive subject. As all three of them are noted for their pictures of beautiful women it may very readily be guessed that Miss Saunders is blessed with unusually good looks To the Underwood studio her appearance in motion pictures was due he told her once that she would photograph well and suggested that she try to secure an engagement in the movies.

Miss Saunders, with her usual promptness of decision at once began to look for a picture engagement She secured one on her nerve, for she assured the director of a large producing company that she was experienced in picture work—only she didn't tell him what kind of pictures Her very first scene was a particularly trying one for it was taken on the sidewalk in front of Grace Church New York before a mob of curious onlookers Our blonde heroine nearly died from fright, and went through her part in a perfect maze, but, luckily for her the pictures when developed and projected proved to be perfect

Miss Saunders appears in many of the Lubin pictures that are made by Pathe and has been with the latter company for over a year Her contract calls for three years to be sure proof that the public like her work The Scene of the picture at the left is from Gold Rooster picture in which he stars and the company of being sent to France to be colored, being the first [illegible] American picture to be so treated.

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Local Notes

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—"Juror No. 7" in two reels, Rex Dorothy Phillips.—Olympic today. 1t

—Miss Grace Reeder spent the Christholidays with her mother in Connellsville.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. Winwood, Jr. were over Christmas visitors at Trafford City.

—Pierce Johnson and Carl Johnson spent Christmas with their parents at Morgantown, W. Va.

—Fred Stickley is confined to his Knox avenue home with a serious attack of lagrippe.

—Miss Martha Karlowsky was the guest of her cousin, Miss Freda Snyder of McKeesport during the Xmas holidays.

—Victor Chartener of the Pittsburg Steel office force spent Christmas with is parents at Pittsburg.

—James T. McElroy of Woodlawn, visited over Christmas with P. P. Bush of Knox avenue.

—Rev. J. B. Swain and W. O. Beery have left for a short visit with relatives of Mr. Beery at Augusta, W. Va.

—Joseph Underwood of Detroit, Mich., spent the Christmas holidays with friends and relatives in this city.

—Henry Johnson, a former resident of this city, but now residing at Warren, Ohio, is visiting with friends in this city this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. Byerly of Schoonmaker avenue, attended the funeral of Mrs. Byerly's sister at Vanderbilt yesterday.

—Miss Nell McCahill of Massilon, Ohio, is spending a few days with her brother, Dennis McCahill of Schoonmaker avenue.

—Mrs. Laura Emerson, stenographer at the Page mill and her mother spent Christmas with Mrs. Emerson's son Wayne at Stubenville, Ohio.

—Mrs. Albert Binley, daughter Evelyn of Donora and mother, Mrs. Roe of Belle Vernon, spent Sunday with the latter's daughter, Mrs. George Steiner of Mohawk street.

—Mr. and Mrs. William C. Engle and daughter Dorothy of Pittsburgh, spent Xmas with Mrs. Engle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McGinty of Knox avenue.

—Marriage licenses were issued Saturday to Henry Kissler and Miss Sophia Debarre of this city and William Jordan and Rosie Williams of this city.

—Mike Lukenson and Joe Yokonsky of 1064 Morgan avenue, were fined $3.00 and costs or $5.00 at police court this morning. They were charged with being drunk and disorderly.

—Mrs. W. P. Kirk of 107 Fourth street, came home from the hospital Dec. 23 in time to enjoy Christmas with her family. While still under the care of her physician and nurse, her friends will be glad to know she is making rapid improvement.

—Misses Anna Karlowsky, Margaret O'Toole and Eleanor O'Toole, accompanied by the Messrs. Fritz Leighaber, George Maund and Peter Lauze spent Saturday in Pittsburgh attending the theatre in the evening.

—The Westmoreland county suffrage association will hold a conference at Hotel Rappe, Greensburg, Friday, January 14, at 10 a. m. The purpose of this conference is the election of officers and to discuss plans for work. All women interested in suffrage are earnestly urged to attend this meeting.

Olympic Theatre

Today—"The New Adventures of Terence O'Rourke" No. 3 and the last one followed on next Monday with the world's greatest series of serials, "The Graft" in 16 episodes, written by 18 famous authors, acted by the distinguished character actor and actress, Hobart Henley and Jane Novak. The title of today's picture in "The Road to Paradise" in two reels, featuring J. Warren Kerrigan, America's favorite star. 1t

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Olympic Theatre

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"Many a business location is not as good as it looks," says Fred C. Kelly in the January American Magazine. "Here is a place on the busy side of the street; but the rents are too high. A man trying to sell cigars or gingersnaps there, even in a small space, will lose money. Across the street fewer people pass—but the difference is less than is generally supposed. An actual count shows that the busiest side is only fifteen per cent. more than the side opposite. But the rents on the quieter side are thirty-five per cent. lower. Taking the rent into consideration, the 'wrong' side of the street may be the most profitable."

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Notice is hereby given that an application will be made by J. C. F. Motz, H. N. Odbert, R. E. Palmer, J. D. Cowell, et al, to the Governor of Pennsylvania on Monday, the 24th day of January, 1916, at 9 o'clock a. m., under the provisions of an Act of Assembly entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" approved the 29th day of April, A. D. 1874, and the several supplements thereto, for a charter for an intended corporation to be called Monessen Pure Ice Company; the character and object of which is buying, manufacturing and selling ice and cold storage products and in connection therewith the conducting and operating of a cold storage and refrigeration business in all its branches, and for this purpose to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said Act of Assembly and the supplements thereto conferred.

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Wood and Water.

All wood contains more or less water. Even the driest wood known contains two or three pounds of water in every hundred pounds of weight. Absolutely dry wood is unknown, for the heat needed to obtain it would dissolve the wood and convert it into gas and charcoal. An eminent Swiss authority on the characteristics of wood believes that a sufficiently powerful and perfect microscope, could it be made, would show that the ultimate wood cell is composed of crystals like grains of sugar or salt and that thin films of water hold the crystals apart, yet bind them into a mass. A good microscope shows the wood cell and reveals its spiral bandages and its openings and cavities, but no instrument yet made reveals the ultimate crystals that, as many believe, do exist, and that would explain why water cannot be expelled from wood without destroying the wood itself.

Star Theatre Today

One of the most interesting characters and one of the most important in "The Family Stain," a late release by William Fox, directed by William S. Davis, is the part of Claudine Lerouge, who was the Widow Lerouge, about whom this famous and weird story was woven. It took Mr. Davis six weeks to find a woman who could properly handle this character on the screen, and he was well-nigh at the end of his resources when he discovered that it would be possible for him to secure the services of Miss Carey Lee.

Miss Lee is an exceptionally talented young woman with a reputation that stretches around the globe. She has played in several big photodrama successes and played a big part with Blanche Bates in "A Woman in the Case." She also has an exceedingly big reputation in stock work. She is the daughter of William J. Gross, who for sixty-five years has been appearing on the American stage as a portrayer of Shakesperean drama.

"The Family Stain" will be seen at the Star tonight. 1t

Chocolate, Spanish Style.

To know the finest method for making chocolate or cocoa one must learn of the practice in Spain or in one of the Spanish American countries. There one finds out two important things. The first concerns the utensil in which the chocolate is made. Our nearest approach to this is an enameled ware double boiler. Indeed, this is a perfectly satisfactory substitute for the heavy and fragile chocolate pots favored by some of the Spanish countries. The second point is that chocolate is better if not served freshly made. Chocolate and cocoa are much smoother and the flavor is much improved if they are prepared some hours before service. Cook the chocolate in the enameled ware boiler very thoroughly. Set in a cool place and let stand until required. Then heat to the boiling point and serve either with or without whipped cream.

Cartoonists and Small Boys.

"It takes a cartoonist," says a writer in Cartoons Magazine, "to understand the heart of the small boy. The cartoonists enter into his sports and share his joys and sorrow. They sit with him under the cool willows, watching the red and yellow bobber as a fat sunfish or a bullhead nibbles at the bait.

"They know his likes and dislikes, which are simple. In the former category fall baseball, strawberry shortcake, kites, marbles, rafts, rubber boots, dogs, circuses, swimming, picnics, buckwheat cakes, Fourth of July, Hallowe'en, Thanksgiving, Christmas. In the latter may be found copper toed shoes, schoolbooks, teachers, starched collars, sulphur and molasses, practicing, washing one's neck. According to the cartoonists, the small boy lives from holiday to holiday, with a birthday in between."

The Word "Slave."

An interesting instance in history of the twisted application of the names of a people is afforded by the case of the word "slave." Now, the Slavi, tribes dwelling on the banks of the Dnieper, derived their appellation from "Slav," meaning noble or illustrious. In the days of the later Roman empire vast numbers of these Slavs were taken over by the Romans in the condition of captive servants, and in this way the name of the tribes came in time to carry with it the idea of a low state of servitude, the exact antithesis of its original meaning and one that has survived to this time.

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The Pessimist.

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Estate of Harry Swartz, late of the Borough of Monessen, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Harry Swartz, late of the Borough of Monessen, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, having been granted to the undersigned by the Register of Wills, in and for said Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment and to those having claims against the same to present them to the undersigned duly authenticated for settlement.

Lena Swartz,
Administratrix.

162 First Street,
care Max Janavitz, Esq.,
Monessen, Pa. 24-6tw

TWICE WON

By RUTH GRAHAM

Miss Lucia Graham, when seventeen years of age, visited Annapolis, where she was taken down with a severe attack of the midshipman fever. All midshipmen were in her eyes glittering gems, but Sam Flint, a first classman, was a crown jewel. A violent flirtation ensued, and Lucia went home engaged.

She said nothing to her parents about the affair, confining her confidence to two or three bosom friends. Since Mr. Flint had a year more before him at the academy and Miss Graham two years more at school, with the prospect of four at college, it did not seem that there was any hurry about taking steps for the bridal.

Ten years passed. Miss Graham had turned down a number of suitors—not because she was true to Mr. Flint, for they had simply dropped apart without ever seeing or hearing from each other after their parting at Annapolis. The lady, now twenty-seven years old, was verging on old maidhood and beginning to fear that a husband, home and children were not to be hers.

One day she received a letter bearing a foreign postmark written in an unfamiliar masculine hand. Opening it, she began to read, and noticing that she had received a love letter naturally cast her eyes down for the signature.

"Flint?" she muttered. "Who's Flint?" Then, reading further, she was enlightened. Mr. Flint wrote reminding her that she had been his fiancee since their engagement made ten years agone, which had never been broken. He was now a commander in the navy and considered his salary sufficient, etc. Then she remembered her juvenile flirtation at Annapolis.

Miss Graham jumped at this chance to escape being an old maid and replied favorably. Then came a letter from Commander Flint stating that he could not get leave to go to her and would she come to him? After much correspondence it was arranged that Miss Graham should sail for London and thence for Port Said, at which point Flint's ship would be at a certain date. After marriage the bride could join her husband at the different ports on the Mediterranean at which his ship was expected to touch.

On Miss Graham's voyage from London a gentleman wearing the undress uniform of an officer in the British army solicited an introduction to Miss Graham and at once showed signs of being desperately smitten with her. The lady appeared to reciprocate, but lost no time in informing him that she was on her way to Port Said to be married to an officer in the United States navy. The Englishman, Colonel Montgomery, took the announcement very hard, declaring that for him the world had collapsed. Miss Graham took pity on him and thrust a new thorn in his side by telling him that had she not pledged her word to another she would favorably consider his proposal.

Several British officers came aboard at Gibraltar, none of whom knew Montgomery. This seemed to render Miss Graham doubtful of him.

However, he soon succeeded in regaining her confidence, and she showed signs of willingness to break with her fiance and marry the Englishman. When the ship approached Port Said Colonel Montgomery pleaded passionately, and at last Miss Graham said that she had not seen her lover for ten years. She would meet him once, confess that she had been won by another and, if he held her to the engagement, would tell him that he must marry her without her heart. Of course he would relinquish her.

This satisfied the colonel, and it was agreed between them that they should meet and be married at Cairo—that is, provided the lady could be freed from her previous engagement without blame. Commander Flint had agreed to meet his fiancee at Cairo, and this rendered the swapping of lovers convenient—that is, provided they could be kept apart. As soon as the marriage ceremony between the colonel and Miss Graham had been performed they were to proceed together to join his command in India.

Their temporary parting was quite distressing. Montgomery, who appeared elated with his success, did not seem to mind it, but the lady gave evidence of dreading the ordeal of breaking with her American fiance. She clung to her new lover, saying:

"What if I am spurned for dishonorable conduct?"

"Come to me, sweetheart. I will convince you that there is nothing dishonorable in a maid following the dictates of her heart."

Thus assured, Miss Graham tore herself away.

On reaching her hotel she left a note in the office for Commander Flint, briefly confessing that she had been won on the voyage from London and that they had better not meet. She also left a note for the colonel that she had repented her dishonorable bargain and would never see him again.

The same afternoon Commander Flint sent up his card, begging an interview. Consent was given, and he appeared. The lady advanced to meet him with a smile and outstretched arms.

"What induced you to play Colonel Montgomery?" she asked.

"You knew me?"

"Knew you? Of course I did, the moment you were introduced to me."

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